

**Conversion to NHs in NER**

3143. SHRI DWIJENDRA NATH SHARMAH: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of State Highways declared as National Highways in the North Eastern (NER) during the last three years; and

(b) the details of progress made so far in such stretches of these National Highways?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIAPPA): (a) Details of the National Highways declared during the last 3 years in the North Eastern Region are given as under:

Sl. No.	National Highway No.	Description of National Highways	Date of declaration
1.	NH-155	The highway starting from the junction of NH-61 near Mokokchung in the State Nagaland connecting Tuensang-Sampurre-Meluri and passing through the State of Manipur and terminating at its junction with NH-150 near Jessami in the State of Nagaland.	25th February, 2004
2.	Extension of NH No. 44	The highway starting from its junction with NH-40 near Shillong and terminating at Nongstoin in the State of Meghalaya.	25th February, 2004

(b) Development and maintenance of national Highways is a continuous process depending upon availability of funds and inter-se-priority. During the year 2006-07 work of Rs. 6.18 crore has been sanctioned for improvement of NH-44E. However, the National Highways are maintained in traffic worthy condition within available resources.

**Modernisation of Shipyards**

3144. SHRI RAVULA CHANDRA SEKAR REDDY: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal for Maritime Board for modernisation of shipyards;